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REMARKS

Present Status of the Application

In the Office Action, claims 1-9 are rejected. Specifically, claims 1-3, 5-7 and 9 are rejected under 35 USC §102(e) as being anticipated by Stout (US Patent No. 6,612,874). Moreover, claims 4, 8 and 10-13 are rejected under 35 USC §103(a) as being unpatentable over Stout (US Patent No. 6,612,874). Reconsideration and allowance of those claims is respectfully requested.

Discussion of Office Action Rejections

Response to Claims Rejections under 35 USC § 102

Claims 1-3, 5-7 and 9 are rejected under 35 USC §102(e) as being anticipated by Stout.

For a proper rejection of a claim under 35 U.S.C. section 102, the cited reference must disclose all elements/features/steps of the claim.

Independent claim 1, as amended, states:

- Claim 1. An interface apparatus with a rotational mechanism for connecting with an interface port in an electronic product, the interface apparatus comprising:
 - a body selected from a group-comprising a memory module-or a memory adapter;
 - a connector for connecting with an interface port; and
 - a rotational mechanism for linking the body and the connector.

(Emphasis Added)

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Independent claim 1 is allowable for at least the reasons that Stout does not disclose, teach or suggest the feature that "a body comprising a memory module" as highlighted above.

It is noted that, referring to Stout, the device 14 is a wireless communication antenna device 14. However, the body of the interface apparatus of the application comprises a memory module.

Thus, Stout does not anticipate claim 1. The withdrawal of the rejection and the allowance of claim 1 are therefore earnestly solicited.

If independent claim 1 is allowable over the prior art of record, then its dependent claims 2-13 are allowable as a matter of law, because these dependent claims contain all features/elements/steps of its respective independent claim 1.

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CONCLUSION

For at least the foregoing reasons, it is believed that all pending claims 1-13 are in proper condition for allowance. If the Examiner believes that a telephone conference would expedite the examination of the above-identified patent application, the Examiner is invited to call the undersigned.

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